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Federal Lands Highway
provides planning,
design, and engineering
services to support the
highways and bridges
that provide access to
and within federally
owned lands.



Eastern Federal Lands



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Federal Lands Highway Program (FLHP)

Improving transportation to and within federal and tribal lands

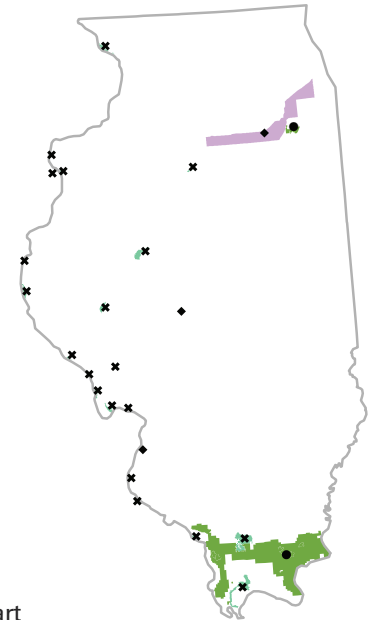


Illinois FLHP

IL FLHP road miles: **341**
Funding Authorized FY 98 – 07:
\$4,060,000
Federal land acreage as percentage
of total state area: **1.06%***
IL population: **12,831,970**

- ◆ **National Park Service (5 units)**
- **U.S. Forest Service (2)**
- ✱ **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (7)**

* This percentage includes Federal lands that are not part
of the FLHP core program and not depicted on the map.



The Federal Lands Highway Program in Illinois. The Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie was established in 1996 and it is the first National Tallgrass Prairie in the country. It is administered by the U.S. Forest Service, in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and with the support of hundreds of volunteers and partner agencies, businesses, and organizations.

In 2007 three roadways were designated as new Forest Highways in Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie: State Route 53 (Historic Route 66); New River Road; and, Hoff Road. Eastern Federal Lands is working to construct turn lanes on State Route 53 to provide for safer access to the headquarters. The turn lanes will consist of: 1) a 450-foot long south-bound deceleration lane for a lefthand turn traversing the two northbound lanes of Illinois State Route 53 into the Midewin Headquarters,



and 2) a 450-foot deceleration lane along the right-hand shoulder of State Route 53 for the right-hand turn into the 26-foot wide Headquarters driveway from the south. The deceleration turn lane along the eastern-most side of State Route 53 will be within the Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie right-of-way along the highway.